

Montgomery County Commissioners Meeting

March 18, 2003 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Chairman – William D. Maness “Billy”

Vice-Chairman – Dolon W. Corbett

Commissioner - Sally M. Morris

Commissioner – R.C. Bostic

Commissioner – George H. Knight, Jr.

County Manager – Lee Matthews

Clerk – Laura B. Morton

County Attorney – Russell J. Hollers

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioner’s met in regular session on Tuesday, March 18, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the Montgomery County Commissioners’ Room. All board members were present. Chairman Maness called to meeting to order and the following was heard:

Rev. Doug Beadle of First Wesleyan Church gave the invocation.

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Morris and so the minutes from the January meetings were approved with corrections.

Public Forum

No one spoke during the public forum.

Sandhills Mental Health Update and Resolution

Mr. Michael Watson with Sandhills Mental Health presented the Joint Sandhills-Randolph Local Business Plan (LBP). This Local Business Plan is designed to guide the implementation of the State mandated Mental Health System Reform within the Sandhills-Randolph Area. The LBP must be submitted to the State for review by April 1, 2003. He also presented a resolution supporting the merger of Randolph County into the Sandhills Area Program. The proposed merger with Randolph County is a direct result of the State’s efforts to reduce the number of area programs from thirty-eight to twenty.

Commissioner Bostic said Mr. Watson is being very modest. He said Randolph County could have went with another organization, but because of Sandhills good programs they chose Sandhills.

Chairman Maness said he understands this is the way to go and he appreciates everyone’s hard work.

In a motion made by Commissioner Bostic, seconded by Commissioner Corbett, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the resolution and the Joint Sandhills-Randolph Local Business Plan (LBP).

Tentative Contract Award – Contract 6 – Pressure Reducing Station 3 Rehabilitation

Mr. Matthews presented this to the Board. The request is to tentatively award the contract to the lowest bidder pending the approval of the contractor’s DBE participation efforts.

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Knight and so the motion carried unanimously to tentatively award to contract to the lowest bid (Shoreline Enterprise).

Budget Revisions/Amendments

In a motion made by Commissioner Bostic, seconded by Commissioner Corbett, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the budget revision for CP&L Project Share. (A copy of this budget revision is on file in the clerk's office).

Items Carried Forward from the Work Session

Randolph County/Montgomery County CJPP

Mr. Matthews briefly reviewed the request for approval of the contract with Randolph County submitting our grant application to the state for the Criminal Justice Partnership Program. In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Knight and so the motion to approve this partnership with Randolph County.

Resolution in Support of Sidewalks for Safe Streets

Mr. Matthews briefly explained that Mt. Gilead is seeking enhancement funds from DOT to extend the sidewalk on NC Hwy 109.

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and so the motion carried unanimously to support to the resolution in support of Sidewalks or Safe Streets.

Department of Social Services Phone Upgrade

Mr. Matthews briefly explained the phone problems the Department of Social Services has been experiencing and that Director Jim Sanders requested funds of approximately \$9,000 for a phone system upgrade. Mr. Matthews said approval is needed from the board to go ahead and upgrade this equipment and find the necessary funds in the budget.

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Chairman Maness, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the funds to upgrade the phone system.

Recommendations to Badin Lake Fire Tax Commission and Lake Tillery Fire Tax Commission

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Bostic, and so the motion carried unanimously to recommend Ms. Emily Patillo to serve on the Lake Tillery Fire Tax Board (replacing Mrs. Patricia Poteet) and to recommend Mr. Fred Goodman to serve on the Badin Lake Fire Tax Board (replacing Mr. Jack Boling).

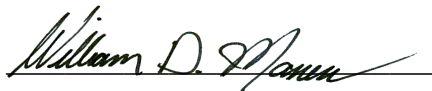
Closed Session

Chairman Maness recessed the Regular Session and go into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

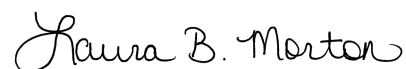
Commissioner Morris took minutes in the closed session.

The board came out of closed session with nothing to report.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.







William D. Maness, Chairman
Board

Laura B. Morton, Clerk to the